

RS300 AGM

27th September 2013

Election Of Officers

Fleet Rep - Steve Bolland and Peter Ellis will take on this role jointly

Pete is going to contact the RS300 that have fallen from the radar- **PE to liaise with EY** after the nationals to obtain what information we are allowed to give him etc.

How do we market the fleet - can we have prizes for newbies Pete Ellis will be trying to get non members to the events.

Steve Bolland will complete the results.

Review of 2013

Numbers have not been good at Nationals

2007 - 21 entries

2008 - 28

2009 - 33

2010 - 26

2011 - 35

2012 - 20

2013 - 20

Circuit events have had entries in single figures, the sprints had a good turnout.

Nationals 2014 are in Prestwick in mid August, it is a 4 day event, A suggestion of a 3 day event would this be better, do we need to hold the nationals on the sea, do we hold the nationals during a regatta week.

Family venues might help attract more people if there is something for the family to do or go while there partners are sailing this may encourage more entries.

Do we need to promote the class more, do we need to offer training events.

A suggestion of a new DVD, more footage on facebook, forums etc.

Riki from LDC advised there is no shortage of people anting to purchase the boat, its getting the people to travel to the events,

If clubs have lots of boats at their club why do they need to travel- We should be going to them, we should be going to the clubs with RS300 to hep with numbers.

Can we offer the day before the Nationals coaching, would the class association consider subsidising the fees? or can we spread the costs over the entry fee.

We need to contact N Beveride regarding pre nationals coaching at Prestwick.

Can we offer a try sail within our own class, if members are willing to put their names down as a contact point for anyone is looking to purchase a 300 they can arrange a test sail.

Tim Keen would still like to me on the website as a contact for the test sail. **EY will make sure this is on there**

Riki needs to be changed as the RS300 builders rep - **EY will make sure this is updated**

Do we have a demo boat in the fleet that would be available - Riki advised no as it sometimes has the reverse effect.

The distance for the nationals was discussed and members do not want to travel 500 miles as it is too far but Prestwick will guarantee 10 homes boats.

Facebook Page **SB will set EY as an admin**

The forum is very quiet, facebook, twitter etc can they be liked together? **EY will ask the webmaster.**

Steve Bolland will set up a survey to send out to RS300 members regarding having nationals on the sea or on the an inland water.

Suggestions for 2014 - day 1 training day, no more than 3 races a day,

We need to keep the inlands and Nationals as a separate events , bit if you attend the nationals just for the weekend can you still qualify - do we have a separate prize for weekenders you still have the day trophies too.

New Boats

Riki confirmed that LDC had sold 6 boats but at least 3 of them had been exported, there is still 1 boat available with A and B rigs in stock.

Everybody that purchases a new boat will receive information regarding the class association and an events list, Navy and Red ones can now also be ordered.

RS have a database of 75 people who have enquired regarding the RS300 they are prepared to pass any information onto their database if you send to EY she will pass onto LDC.

8/9 boats should be made this year, they are happy to produce colours too just contact LDC.

2014 Circuit Review

The proposal for 2014 is completely different b having multi fleet events, there is currently nothing in the calendar for September or May, Sheffield Viking SC would like to hold an event in May **Tim Keen to confirm may be just a 1 day event.**

AOB

The RS300 would like to know if they can go to Garda, with the Eurocup we need to guarantee 10 boats have a pre entry if not enough people have entered we can not go.

2016 suggested for Garda and that year only have a 3 days nationals.

They have requested a nationals at Garda but they would need to try Carnac first to see if people would attend.

Would people attend Prestwick and Garda in the same year. If 10 people enter then the event can take place **HC to confirm**

Are we booked in for the dates at Prestwick or can they be changed to a different week.

Is early september still a good time for the Nationals or should it be in school holidays they are going to see what happens at next years nationals just need to be careful regarding the tides during the times of year.